SEC. 1502. FUNDING FOR MILITARY CHILD CARE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1990

(a) FISCAL YEAR 1990 FUNDING.—(1) It is the policy of Congress that the amount of appropriated funds available during fiscal year 1990 for operating expenses for military child development centers shall not be less than the amount of child care fee receipts that are estimated to be received by the Department of Defense during that fiscal year. Of the amount authorized to be appropriated for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1990, $102,000,000 shall be available for operating expenses for military child development centers.

(2) In addition to the amount referred to in paragraph (1), $26.000,000 shall be available for child care and child-related services of the Department other than military child development centers.

(3) In using the funds referred to in *paragraph* (1), the Secretary shall give priority to—

(4) increasing the number of child care employees who are directly involved in providing child care for members of the Armed Forces; and

(5) expanding the availabEity of child care for members of the Armed Forces.

(b) FUNDS DERIVED FROM PARENT FEES To BE USED FOR EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION AND OTHER CHILD CARE SERVICES.—(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), child care fee receipts may be used during fiscal year 1990 only for compensation of child care employees who are directly involved in providing child care.

(2) If the Secretary of Defense determines that compliance with the limitation in paragraph (1) would result in an uneconomical and inefficient use of such fee receipts, the Secretary may (to the extent that such compliance would be uneconomical and inefficient) use such receipts—

(6) first, for the purchase of consumable or disposable items for military child development centers; and

(7) if the requirements of such centers for consumable or disposable items for fiscal year 1990 have been met, for other expenses of those centers.

(c) REPORT.—<1) Not later than December 31, 1989, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives a report on how the Secretary intends to use the funds referred to in subsection (a),

including how
the Secretary intends to achieve the priorities
specified in para-
graph (3) of that subsection.

(8) If at the time such report is submitted the Secretary proposes to use the authority provided by subsection (bX2), the Secretary shall include in the report under paragraph (1) a description of the use proposed to be made of that authority and a statement of the reasons why the Secretary determined that compliance with the limitation in subsection (bXD would result in an uneconomical and inefficient use of child care fee receipts, together with supporting cost information and other information justifying the determination.

(9) If the Secretary uses such authority after December 31, 1989, the Secretary shall promptly inform the committees of the use of the authority and of the reasons for its use.